

Public First Poll for Internal (Strikes)

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023
Interview method: Online Survey
Population represented: GB Adults
Sample size: 2019

Methodology:

All results are weighted using Iterative Proportional Fitting, or 'Raking'. The results are weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

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(1.A) Which of the following have you heard discussed in the news or among people you know in the last month, if any? Select any which apply

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	293	285	165	174	145	188	169	87	225	147	101	40	748	872	239
Weighted	2019	283	262	161	182	141	182	161	81	222	182	101	61	737	876	246
Worker strikes	74%	64%	77%	79%	77%	72%	73%	75%	76%	73%	76%	76%	72%	78%	73%	66%
Current UK inflation levels	69%	64%	72%	69%	62%	67%	72%	73%	65%	67%	77%	65%	72%	70%	71%	59%
The conflict in Ukraine	68%	59%	70%	71%	69%	67%	65%	69%	70%	68%	78%	66%	72%	71%	71%	56%
The royal family	68%	61%	68%	78%	71%	74%	67%	69%	69%	67%	69%	64%	73%	73%	69%	56%
NHS waiting times	68%	54%	69%	68%	71%	70%	62%	68%	63%	71%	78%	72%	81%	74%	66%	57%
People crossing the channel to the UK	48%	36%	53%	51%	55%	49%	44%	55%	48%	46%	46%	40%	54%	58%	47%	34%
Global warming or climate change	47%	45%	50%	52%	50%	47%	47%	49%	45%	44%	44%	41%	45%	46%	51%	39%
The coronavirus pandemic	42%	34%	43%	44%	46%	42%	39%	44%	41%	38%	51%	35%	45%	42%	44%	33%
Cryptocurrencies	21%	23%	21%	25%	22%	19%	24%	18%	23%	16%	25%	17%	17%	19%	24%	19%
Advancements in artificial intelligence	14%	15%	16%	15%	13%	18%	16%	15%	8%	11%	11%	11%	18%	12%	16%	13%
Alcohol consumption in the UK	10%	14%	8%	14%	7%	5%	11%	8%	8%	9%	12%	4%	12%	8%	11%	9%
Don't Know	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
None of the above	4%	5%	3%	6%	5%	5%	5%	6%	4%	2%	3%	3%	0%	4%	4%	7%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

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Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(1.B) Which of the following have you heard discussed in the news or among people you know in the last month, if any? Select any which apply

	Total	Age						Social Grade				2019				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
Worker strikes	74%	63%	59%	67%	79%	84%	88%	72%	72%	76%	75%	77%	71%	77%	68%	69%
Current UK inflation levels	69%	60%	58%	60%	72%	80%	80%	73%	72%	66%	62%	72%	65%	77%	51%	58%
The conflict in Ukraine	68%	49%	57%	58%	73%	81%	86%	72%	67%	67%	65%	73%	63%	80%	53%	61%
The royal family	68%	60%	58%	57%	69%	83%	81%	69%	68%	71%	67%	73%	63%	73%	72%	62%
NHS waiting times	68%	58%	54%	60%	73%	76%	82%	67%	67%	69%	68%	71%	65%	72%	52%	61%
People crossing the channel to the UK	48%	21%	31%	32%	54%	68%	73%	50%	42%	50%	49%	58%	40%	47%	64%	37%
Global warming or climate change	47%	40%	38%	38%	44%	51%	65%	52%	47%	45%	43%	48%	48%	53%	29%	37%
The coronavirus pandemic	42%	35%	33%	30%	43%	49%	56%	43%	42%	40%	40%	45%	41%	41%	17%	36%
Cryptocurrencies	21%	25%	19%	17%	22%	20%	25%	27%	20%	21%	16%	21%	19%	31%	8%	20%
Advancements in artificial intelligence	14%	15%	14%	13%	13%	13%	15%	18%	15%	11%	12%	13%	14%	15%	0%	14%
Alcohol consumption in the UK	10%	16%	11%	8%	7%	8%	9%	13%	8%	11%	7%	9%	9%	7%	4%	11%
Don't Know	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%
None of the above	4%	2%	7%	7%	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%	2%	7%	3%	4%	2%	0%	9%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

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(1.C) Which of the following have you heard discussed in the news or among people you know in the last month, if any? Select any which apply

	Total	Gender		Voting Intention			Education			Ethnicity		School aged children?			
		Male	Female	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrats	GCSE or equivalent	A Level or equivalent	University Undergraduate Degree (BA/BSc)	University Postgraduate Degree (MA/MSc/MPhil)	Doctorate (PhD/DPHil)	White	BAME	Yes	No
Unweighted	2019	1012	1005	458	764	135	492	472	506	229	26	1745	274	459	1557
Weighted	2019	996	1021	447	765	133	490	476	508	232	24	1743	276	463	1553
Worker strikes	74%	72%	76%	73%	75%	71%	78%	77%	70%	62%	84%	76%	58%	66%	76%
Current UK inflation levels	69%	70%	67%	68%	68%	71%	66%	69%	72%	68%	81%	70%	61%	62%	71%
The conflict in Ukraine	68%	70%	66%	71%	66%	77%	71%	66%	68%	64%	86%	71%	52%	60%	71%
The royal family	68%	65%	71%	70%	68%	70%	70%	70%	69%	63%	84%	71%	53%	63%	70%
NHS waiting times	68%	64%	71%	67%	68%	63%	72%	66%	67%	63%	70%	70%	51%	62%	70%
People crossing the channel to the UK	48%	49%	47%	53%	42%	50%	54%	44%	43%	40%	69%	51%	24%	37%	51%
Global warming or climate change	47%	48%	46%	44%	48%	52%	42%	49%	47%	47%	69%	48%	38%	39%	49%
The coronavirus pandemic	42%	41%	42%	43%	43%	39%	44%	43%	36%	42%	78%	43%	35%	33%	44%
Cryptocurrencies	21%	26%	17%	21%	21%	32%	19%	19%	24%	30%	29%	21%	22%	18%	22%
Advancements in artificial intelligence	14%	16%	12%	11%	16%	16%	9%	14%	16%	22%	27%	14%	17%	13%	15%
Alcohol consumption in the UK	10%	11%	9%	10%	10%	4%	7%	11%	10%	12%	15%	10%	10%	9%	10%
Don't Know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%	2%	1%
None of the above	4%	5%	4%	4%	3%	5%	6%	3%	4%	4%	0%	4%	6%	5%	4%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

Public First Poll for Internal (Strikes)

(2.A) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Nurses

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	293	285	165	174	145	188	169	87	225	147	101	40	748	872	239
Weighted	2019	283	262	161	182	141	182	161	81	222	182	101	61	737	876	246
Would be justified in going on strike	59%	59%	56%	63%	60%	51%	57%	51%	57%	61%	65%	66%	75%	49%	64%	60%
Would not be justified in going on strike	30%	30%	31%	31%	27%	39%	30%	36%	34%	29%	29%	24%	16%	41%	26%	25%
Don't Know	10%	11%	12%	6%	12%	10%	13%	14%	8%	10%	6%	10%	10%	9%	10%	15%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

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(2.B) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Nurses

	Total	Age					Social Grade				2019					
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote	
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
Would be justified in going on strike	59%	73%	68%	58%	61%	50%	49%	58%	60%	61%	58%	42%	76%	60%	53%	60%
Would not be justified in going on strike	30%	21%	20%	27%	31%	39%	42%	34%	28%	28%	30%	49%	16%	28%	40%	24%
Don't Know	10%	7%	11%	16%	8%	10%	9%	8%	12%	10%	11%	10%	8%	12%	8%	16%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

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(2.C) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Nurses

	Total	Gender		Voting Intention				Education			Ethnicity		School aged children?		
		Male	Female	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrats	GCSE or equivalent	A Level or equivalent	University Under-graduate Degree (BA/BSc)	University Postgraduate Degree (MA/MSc/MPhil)	Doctorate (PhD/DPHil)	White	BAME	Yes	No	
Unweighted	2019	1012	1005	458	764	135	492	472	506	229	26	1745	274	459	1557
Weighted	2019	996	1021	447	765	133	490	476	508	232	24	1743	276	463	1553
Would be justified in going on strike	59%	60%	58%	37%	75%	52%	57%	61%	62%	59%	74%	59%	60%	61%	59%
Would not be justified in going on strike	30%	31%	29%	52%	17%	35%	33%	29%	27%	32%	22%	31%	24%	26%	32%
Don't Know	10%	8%	12%	11%	7%	13%	10%	10%	11%	9%	4%	9%	16%	12%	10%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

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(3.A) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Teachers

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	293	285	165	174	145	188	169	87	225	147	101	40	748	872	239
Weighted	2019	283	262	161	182	141	182	161	81	222	182	101	61	737	876	246
Would be justified in going on strike	43%	47%	38%	43%	38%	34%	43%	39%	40%	42%	54%	42%	51%	30%	48%	45%
Would not be justified in going on strike	46%	38%	48%	46%	50%	53%	44%	48%	51%	47%	41%	46%	37%	59%	40%	38%
Don't Know	12%	15%	14%	12%	12%	13%	12%	13%	9%	11%	5%	12%	12%	11%	11%	17%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

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(3.B) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Teachers

	Total	Age						Social Grade				2019				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote	
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
Would be justified in going on strike	43%	59%	53%	40%	43%	33%	31%	44%	43%	41%	42%	24%	60%	48%	49%	41%
Would not be justified in going on strike	46%	31%	32%	44%	48%	56%	58%	46%	45%	47%	44%	67%	29%	38%	48%	40%
Don't Know	12%	10%	15%	16%	9%	11%	11%	10%	12%	12%	14%	9%	10%	15%	4%	19%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

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(3.C) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Teachers

	Total	Gender		Voting Intention				Education			Ethnicity		School aged children?		
		Male	Female	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrats	GCSE or equivalent	A Level or equivalent	University Under-graduate Degree (BA/BSc)	University Postgraduate Degree (MA/MSc/MPhil)	Doctorate (PhD/DPHil)	White	BAME	Yes	No	
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Weighted	2019	996	1021	447	765	133	490	476	508	232	24	1743	276	463	1553
Would be justified in going on strike	43%	44%	41%	21%	59%	43%	35%	44%	48%	50%	47%	40%	56%	47%	41%
Would not be justified in going on strike	46%	46%	45%	69%	31%	42%	53%	44%	41%	39%	38%	48%	30%	40%	47%
Don't Know	12%	10%	14%	10%	10%	15%	13%	12%	11%	12%	14%	12%	14%	14%	11%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(4.A) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Railway workers

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	293	285	165	174	145	188	169	87	225	147	101	40	748	872	239
Weighted	2019	283	262	161	182	141	182	161	81	222	182	101	61	737	876	246
Would be justified in going on strike	36%	43%	28%	39%	28%	30%	37%	28%	39%	39%	46%	35%	41%	24%	42%	37%
Would not be justified in going on strike	50%	42%	56%	50%	58%	56%	48%	55%	47%	51%	46%	51%	43%	65%	44%	45%
Don't Know	14%	15%	16%	11%	13%	14%	15%	17%	14%	10%	8%	14%	16%	12%	14%	18%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

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(4.B) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Railway workers

	Total	Age						Social Grade				2019				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
Would be justified in going on strike	36%	53%	44%	32%	38%	28%	25%	36%	35%	37%	36%	17%	55%	38%	49%	29%
Would not be justified in going on strike	50%	36%	37%	51%	49%	60%	65%	55%	50%	49%	47%	72%	32%	47%	48%	48%
Don't Know	14%	11%	18%	17%	12%	12%	10%	9%	15%	14%	17%	10%	13%	16%	4%	23%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

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(4.C) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Railway workers

	Total	Gender		Voting Intention				Education			Ethnicity		School aged children?		
		Male	Female	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrats	GCSE or equivalent	A Level or equivalent	University Under-graduate Degree (BA/BSc)	University Postgraduate Degree (MA/MSc/MPhil)	Doctorate (PhD/DPHil)	White	BAME	Yes	No	
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Would be justified in going on strike	36%	38%	34%	16%	52%	40%	31%	36%	40%	44%	43%	35%	44%	36%	36%
Would not be justified in going on strike	50%	51%	50%	73%	36%	45%	56%	49%	48%	42%	40%	52%	38%	49%	51%
Don't Know	14%	11%	16%	11%	12%	15%	13%	15%	12%	14%	18%	13%	18%	15%	13%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

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(5.A) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Postal workers

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
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Would be justified in going on strike	41%	43%	35%	45%	33%	35%	39%	43%	41%	40%	48%	45%	51%	29%	46%	42%
Would not be justified in going on strike	44%	40%	46%	44%	50%	53%	45%	41%	43%	44%	44%	37%	42%	57%	39%	38%
Don't Know	15%	16%	19%	11%	17%	12%	16%	16%	16%	16%	7%	17%	7%	13%	15%	20%

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(5.B) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Postal workers

	Total	Age						Social Grade				2019				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote	
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
Would be justified in going on strike	41%	62%	49%	35%	41%	33%	30%	40%	40%	41%	42%	22%	59%	39%	61%	36%
Would not be justified in going on strike	44%	28%	32%	47%	47%	53%	56%	48%	44%	45%	40%	66%	28%	41%	31%	42%
Don't Know	15%	11%	19%	18%	12%	14%	14%	11%	16%	14%	18%	12%	13%	20%	8%	22%

Note:

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(5.C) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Postal workers

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Would not be justified in going on strike	44%	45%	44%	67%	32%	42%	49%	44%	43%	37%	33%	46%	31%	44%	45%
Don't Know	15%	12%	18%	12%	13%	17%	13%	14%	15%	17%	11%	14%	22%	17%	14%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

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(6.A) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Driving instructors

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	293	285	165	174	145	188	169	87	225	147	101	40	748	872	239
Weighted	2019	283	262	161	182	141	182	161	81	222	182	101	61	737	876	246
Would be justified in going on strike	23%	30%	18%	25%	16%	18%	18%	20%	24%	24%	30%	26%	33%	17%	28%	21%
Would not be justified in going on strike	57%	46%	60%	56%	63%	65%	60%	62%	55%	57%	56%	55%	52%	66%	52%	54%
Don't Know	20%	24%	22%	20%	21%	18%	22%	19%	21%	19%	14%	19%	15%	17%	20%	26%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(6.B) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Driving instructors

	Total	Age						Social Grade				2019				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote	
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
Would be justified in going on strike	23%	31%	29%	22%	24%	19%	16%	22%	23%	23%	24%	11%	34%	28%	37%	17%
Would not be justified in going on strike	57%	52%	51%	58%	58%	59%	63%	61%	56%	58%	54%	73%	46%	42%	59%	56%
Don't Know	20%	17%	20%	20%	19%	22%	21%	17%	21%	19%	22%	16%	20%	29%	4%	27%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(6.C) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Driving instructors

	Total	Gender		Voting Intention				Education			Ethnicity		School aged children?		
		Male	Female	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrats	GCSE or equivalent	A Level or equivalent	University Under-graduate Degree (BA/BSc)	University Postgraduate Degree (MA/MSc/MPhil)	Doctorate (PhD/DPHil)	White	BAME	Yes	No	
Unweighted	2019	1012	1005	458	764	135	492	472	506	229	26	1745	274	459	1557
Weighted	2019	996	1021	447	765	133	490	476	508	232	24	1743	276	463	1553
Would be justified in going on strike	23%	26%	20%	11%	30%	28%	20%	21%	25%	31%	20%	22%	31%	27%	22%
Would not be justified in going on strike	57%	55%	59%	74%	50%	43%	61%	59%	54%	50%	55%	59%	46%	54%	58%
Don't Know	20%	19%	21%	15%	20%	29%	19%	20%	21%	19%	25%	19%	23%	18%	20%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(7.A) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Police officers

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	293	285	165	174	145	188	169	87	225	147	101	40	748	872	239
Weighted	2019	283	262	161	182	141	182	161	81	222	182	101	61	737	876	246
Would be justified in going on strike	34%	37%	31%	37%	30%	33%	31%	26%	36%	36%	40%	34%	41%	27%	38%	32%
Would not be justified in going on strike	51%	48%	51%	52%	53%	52%	53%	56%	50%	50%	51%	50%	41%	60%	48%	45%
Don't Know	15%	15%	18%	12%	17%	14%	16%	18%	14%	15%	8%	16%	18%	13%	14%	23%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(7.B) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Police officers

	Total	Age						Social Grade				2019				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote	
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
Would be justified in going on strike	34%	42%	43%	36%	37%	26%	22%	33%	33%	34%	35%	21%	49%	33%	42%	30%
Would not be justified in going on strike	51%	44%	39%	44%	49%	58%	67%	56%	51%	50%	46%	68%	38%	51%	54%	47%
Don't Know	15%	13%	18%	19%	13%	17%	11%	11%	16%	15%	18%	11%	13%	16%	4%	24%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(7.C) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Police officers

	Total	Gender		Voting Intention				Education			Ethnicity		School aged children?		
		Male	Female	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrats	GCSE or equivalent	A Level or equivalent	University Under-graduate Degree (BA/BSc)	University Postgraduate Degree (MA/MSc/MPhil)	Doctorate (PhD/DPHil)	White	BAME	Yes	No	
Unweighted	2019	1012	1005	458	764	135	492	472	506	229	26	1745	274	459	1557
Weighted	2019	996	1021	447	765	133	490	476	508	232	24	1743	276	463	1553
Would be justified in going on strike	34%	35%	33%	20%	45%	31%	33%	32%	37%	38%	47%	34%	35%	41%	32%
Would not be justified in going on strike	51%	54%	48%	69%	41%	52%	54%	52%	48%	45%	45%	52%	44%	46%	53%
Don't Know	15%	12%	18%	11%	14%	17%	14%	16%	15%	18%	8%	14%	21%	14%	15%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(8.A) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Fire-fighters

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	293	285	165	174	145	188	169	87	225	147	101	40	748	872	239
Weighted	2019	283	262	161	182	141	182	161	81	222	182	101	61	737	876	246
Would be justified in going on strike	44%	46%	42%	44%	41%	35%	44%	40%	45%	49%	55%	45%	46%	35%	49%	44%
Would not be justified in going on strike	40%	36%	40%	43%	42%	50%	40%	44%	42%	39%	37%	36%	41%	52%	37%	33%
Don't Know	15%	18%	18%	13%	17%	15%	16%	16%	13%	12%	8%	18%	13%	13%	14%	22%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(8.B) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Fire-fighters

	Total	Age						Social Grade				2019				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
Would be justified in going on strike	44%	56%	53%	43%	47%	36%	35%	43%	45%	46%	44%	28%	65%	40%	36%	42%
Would not be justified in going on strike	40%	28%	29%	37%	39%	51%	55%	46%	38%	38%	39%	60%	23%	43%	56%	35%
Don't Know	15%	16%	18%	20%	14%	13%	11%	11%	17%	16%	17%	13%	11%	17%	7%	23%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(8.C) Which of the following, if any, do you believe would be justified in going on strike in the next few months?: Fire-fighters

	Total	Gender		Voting Intention				Education			Ethnicity		School aged children?		
		Male	Female	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrats	GCSE or equivalent	A Level or equivalent	University Under-graduate Degree (BA/BSc)	University Postgraduate Degree (MA/MSc/MPhil)	Doctorate (PhD/DPHil)	White	BAME	Yes	No	
Unweighted	2019	1012	1005	458	764	135	492	472	506	229	26	1745	274	459	1557
Weighted	2019	996	1021	447	765	133	490	476	508	232	24	1743	276	463	1553
Would be justified in going on strike	44%	44%	44%	23%	62%	40%	43%	45%	46%	47%	56%	44%	45%	48%	43%
Would not be justified in going on strike	40%	43%	38%	64%	26%	44%	44%	39%	38%	37%	36%	42%	34%	38%	41%
Don't Know	15%	12%	18%	13%	12%	15%	14%	16%	16%	16%	7%	14%	21%	15%	15%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(9.A) Which of the following statements do you agree with more? Please select the statement which you agree with more, even if you don't agree with either

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	293	285	165	174	145	188	169	87	225	147	101	40	748	872	239
Weighted	2019	283	262	161	182	141	182	161	81	222	182	101	61	737	876	246
Workers in the public sector are not justified in striking as they often have benefits that private sector workers do not have like better pensions, more job security and greater flexibility over working hours	35%	32%	38%	36%	32%	42%	33%	37%	40%	34%	32%	34%	24%	46%	29%	30%
Workers in the public sector are justified in striking because their pay levels have not kept up with inflation in recent years and they do important work that needs greater recognition	53%	57%	49%	51%	51%	47%	52%	51%	49%	54%	59%	54%	63%	42%	60%	52%
Don't Know	12%	11%	13%	13%	17%	10%	15%	12%	11%	13%	9%	12%	13%	12%	11%	18%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(9.B) Which of the following statements do you agree with more? Please select the statement which you agree with more, even if you don't agree with either

	Total	Age						Social Grade				2019				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote	
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
Workers in the public sector are not justified in striking as they often have benefits that private sector workers do not have like better pensions, more job security and greater flexibility over working hours	35%	24%	24%	36%	34%	42%	45%	38%	35%	35%	31%	56%	19%	33%	39%	29%
Workers in the public sector are justified in striking because their pay levels have not kept up with inflation in recent years and they do important work that needs greater recognition	53%	67%	64%	47%	56%	46%	41%	53%	53%	51%	55%	33%	72%	54%	49%	52%
Don't Know	12%	8%	12%	16%	10%	12%	14%	9%	12%	14%	15%	11%	9%	13%	12%	20%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(9.C) Which of the following statements do you agree with more? Please select the statement which you agree with more, even if you don't agree with either

	Total	Gender		Voting Intention				Education			Ethnicity		School aged children?		
		Male	Female	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrats	GCSE or equivalent	A Level or equivalent	University Undergraduate Degree (BA/BSc)	University Postgraduate Degree (MA/MSc/MPhil)	Doctorate (PhD/DPHil)	White	BAME	Yes	No	
Unweighted	2019	1012	1005	458	764	135	492	472	506	229	26	1745	274	459	1557
Weighted	2019	996	1021	447	765	133	490	476	508	232	24	1743	276	463	1553
Workers in the public sector are not justified in striking as they often have benefits that private sector workers do not have like better pensions, more job security and greater flexibility over working hours	35%	39%	31%	60%	20%	40%	36%	36%	31%	34%	34%	36%	28%	33%	35%
Workers in the public sector are justified in striking because their pay levels have not kept up with inflation in recent years and they do important work that needs greater recognition	53%	52%	53%	28%	70%	50%	48%	54%	56%	58%	63%	52%	58%	54%	53%
Don't Know	12%	9%	16%	12%	10%	10%	16%	10%	13%	7%	3%	12%	14%	13%	12%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(10.A) In general, which of the following comes closest to your view on how the UK Government should respond to strikes?

	Total	Region											EU 2016 Vote			
		London	South East	South West	East of England	East Midlands	West Midlands	Yorkshire and the Humber	North East	North West	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Leave	Remain	I did not vote
Unweighted	2019	293	285	165	174	145	188	169	87	225	147	101	40	748	872	239
Weighted	2019	283	262	161	182	141	182	161	81	222	182	101	61	737	876	246
The UK Government should generally respond by meeting the demands of the striking workers	51%	55%	44%	51%	49%	42%	49%	51%	49%	52%	62%	54%	61%	37%	57%	57%
The UK Government should generally respond by cracking down on strike action and making it harder for the workers to strike	33%	32%	39%	31%	30%	40%	28%	34%	37%	36%	27%	30%	32%	46%	27%	27%
Don't Know	16%	13%	17%	18%	21%	18%	23%	15%	14%	12%	11%	16%	7%	17%	15%	16%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(10.B) In general, which of the following comes closest to your view on how the UK Government should respond to strikes?

	Total	Age						Social Grade				2019				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrat	The Brexit Party	I did not vote	
Unweighted	2019	280	309	345	333	315	437	566	506	442	495	754	587	150	25	237
Weighted	2019	280	345	343	343	285	422	542	522	442	503	730	589	144	25	244
The UK Government should generally respond by meeting the demands of the striking workers	51%	70%	63%	50%	52%	42%	36%	49%	53%	50%	52%	27%	71%	56%	45%	58%
The UK Government should generally respond by cracking down on strike action and making it harder for the workers to strike	33%	23%	24%	33%	32%	39%	44%	37%	28%	36%	30%	57%	17%	24%	39%	22%
Don't Know	16%	7%	13%	17%	16%	19%	20%	13%	18%	14%	18%	16%	12%	20%	16%	20%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions

(10.C) In general, which of the following comes closest to your view on how the UK Government should respond to strikes?

	Total	Gender		Voting Intention				Education			Ethnicity		School aged children?		
		Male	Female	Conservative Labour	Liberal Democrats	GCSE or equivalent	A Level or equivalent	University Under-graduate Degree (BA/BSc)	University Postgraduate Degree (MA/MSc/MPhil)	Doctorate (PhD/DPHil)	White	BAME	Yes	No	
Unweighted	2019	1012	1005	458	764	135	492	472	506	229	26	1745	274	459	1557
Weighted	2019	996	1021	447	765	133	490	476	508	232	24	1743	276	463	1553
The UK Government should generally respond by meeting the demands of the striking workers	51%	52%	51%	23%	69%	53%	44%	53%	56%	61%	49%	50%	62%	55%	50%
The UK Government should generally respond by cracking down on strike action and making it harder for the workers to strike	33%	35%	31%	65%	18%	30%	38%	34%	27%	29%	30%	34%	25%	30%	34%
Don't Know	16%	13%	18%	12%	13%	17%	18%	13%	17%	10%	21%	16%	14%	15%	16%

Note:

BASE: All Respondents

Fieldwork: 20th Jan - 25th Jan 2023

Data weighted by interlocking age & gender, region and social grade to Nationally Representative Proportions